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April 13, 1993

Title:

HOUSING FOR ELECTRIC SWITCHES

Inventor:

Torma, et al

U.S. Patent No.:

6,310,308 B1

Issued:

October 30, 2001

Title:

COMPACT PUSH-BUTTON

SWITCH ASSEMBLY

Inventor:

Watson, et al

U.S. Patent App.

Publication No.:

2002/0144882 A1

Published:

October 10, 2002

Title:

OPERATING DEVICE HAVING STATIC

ELIMINATOR AND ELECTRONIC

APPARATUS HAVING OPERATING DEVICE

Inventor:

Yamaquchi

EP Patent App. No.: 0 342 703 A2

Published:

November 23, 1989

Title:

LIGHT EMITTING TYPE PUSH BUTTON

SWITCH

Inventor:

Shinohara, et al

EP Patent App. No.: 0 406 845 A2

Published:

January 9, 1991

Title:

TOUCH BUTTON LIGHT RING SYSTEM

Inventor:

Polacek, et al

EP Patent App. No.: 0 463 285 A1

Published:

January 2, 1992

Title:

PUSH-BUTTON SWITCH WITH LIQUID-

CRYSTAL DISPLAY

Inventor:

Tanaka, et al

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